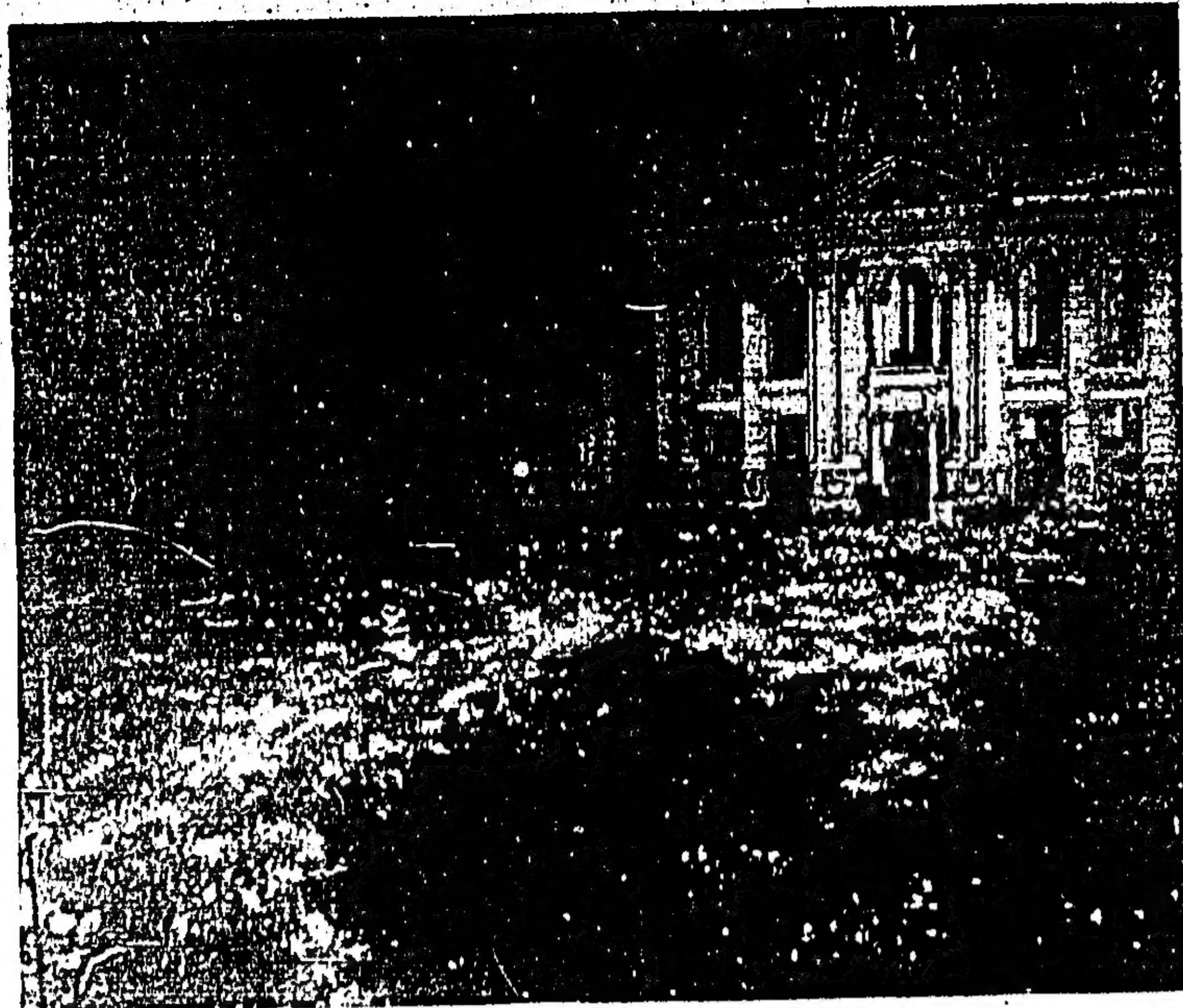






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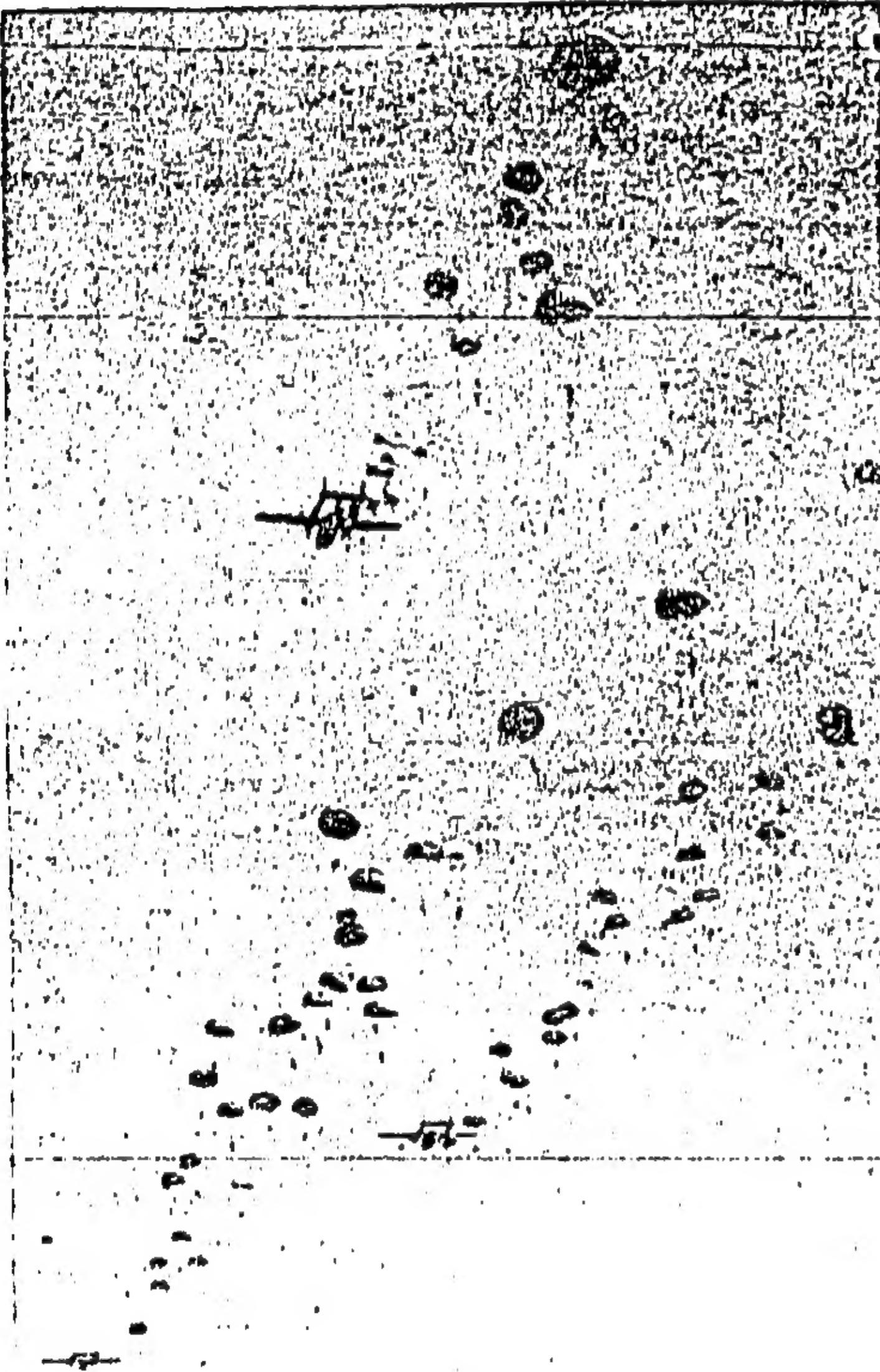
ITALIAN RALLY — Some 5,000 persons attend a meeting in Rome at which several speakers addressed them. Delegates from 40 countries attended the three-day "Partisans for Peace" rally which ended with a torchlight gathering.



UP FOR ADOPTION — These four-week-old puppies were found in Seattle, Washington, in an emaciated condition. After a week of special diet and care, they're now in the pink of condition and will soon be ready for adoption into homes that will be glad to receive them.



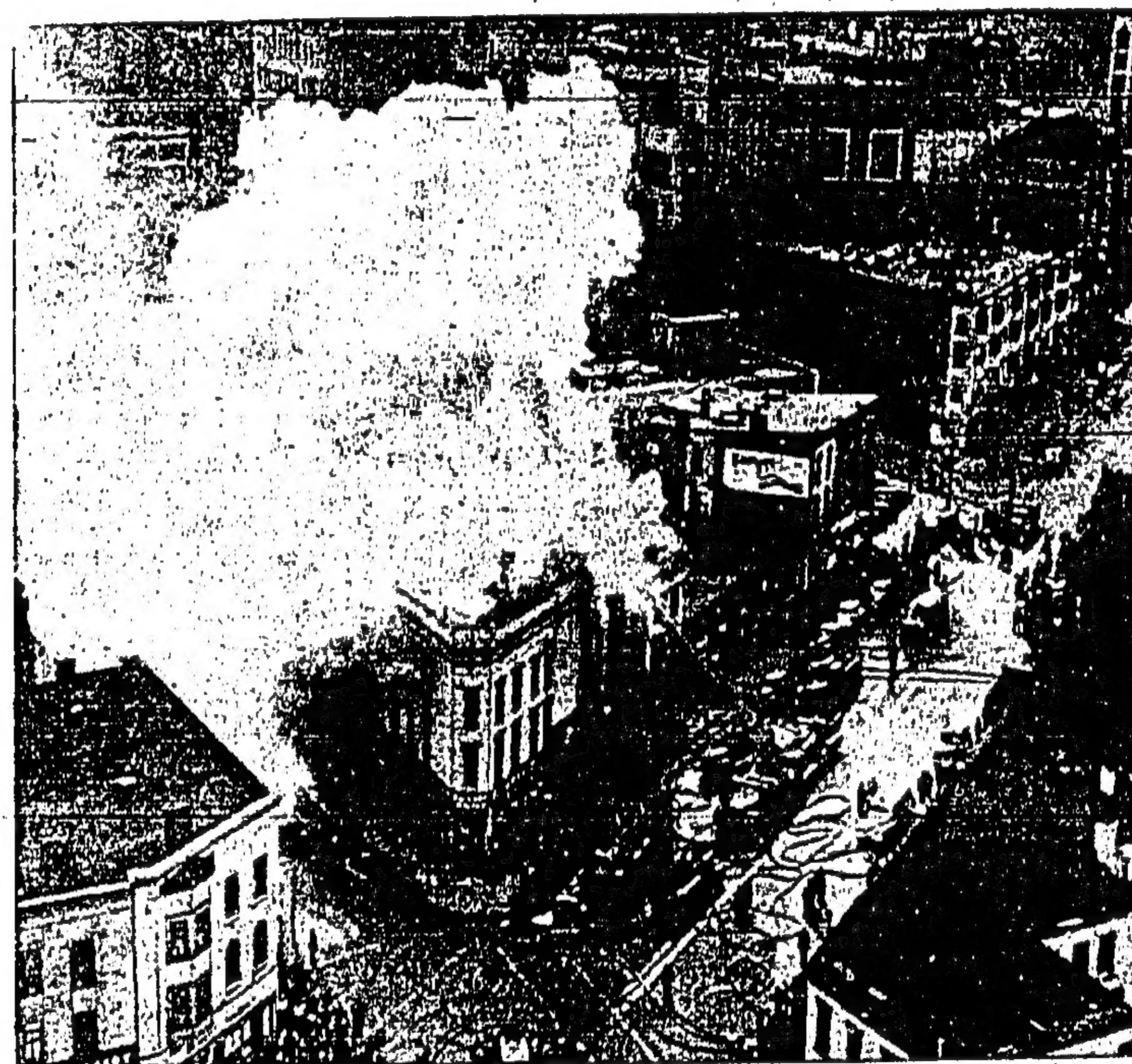
STATISTICS — Actress June Haver, in Hollywood, is amazed at some facts about cats as she helps the American Feline Society get ready for the 1949 National Cat Week. For instance, June hadn't known that cats were kept as pets in ancient Egypt where they chased mice before the pyramids were built.



THERE'S ROOM AT THE TOP — These paratroopers are bailing out from planes during a demonstration at Ft. Benning, Georgia, for the Joint Orientation Conference. Top defence U.S. officials and the Joint Chiefs of Staff were on hand to see the exercises.



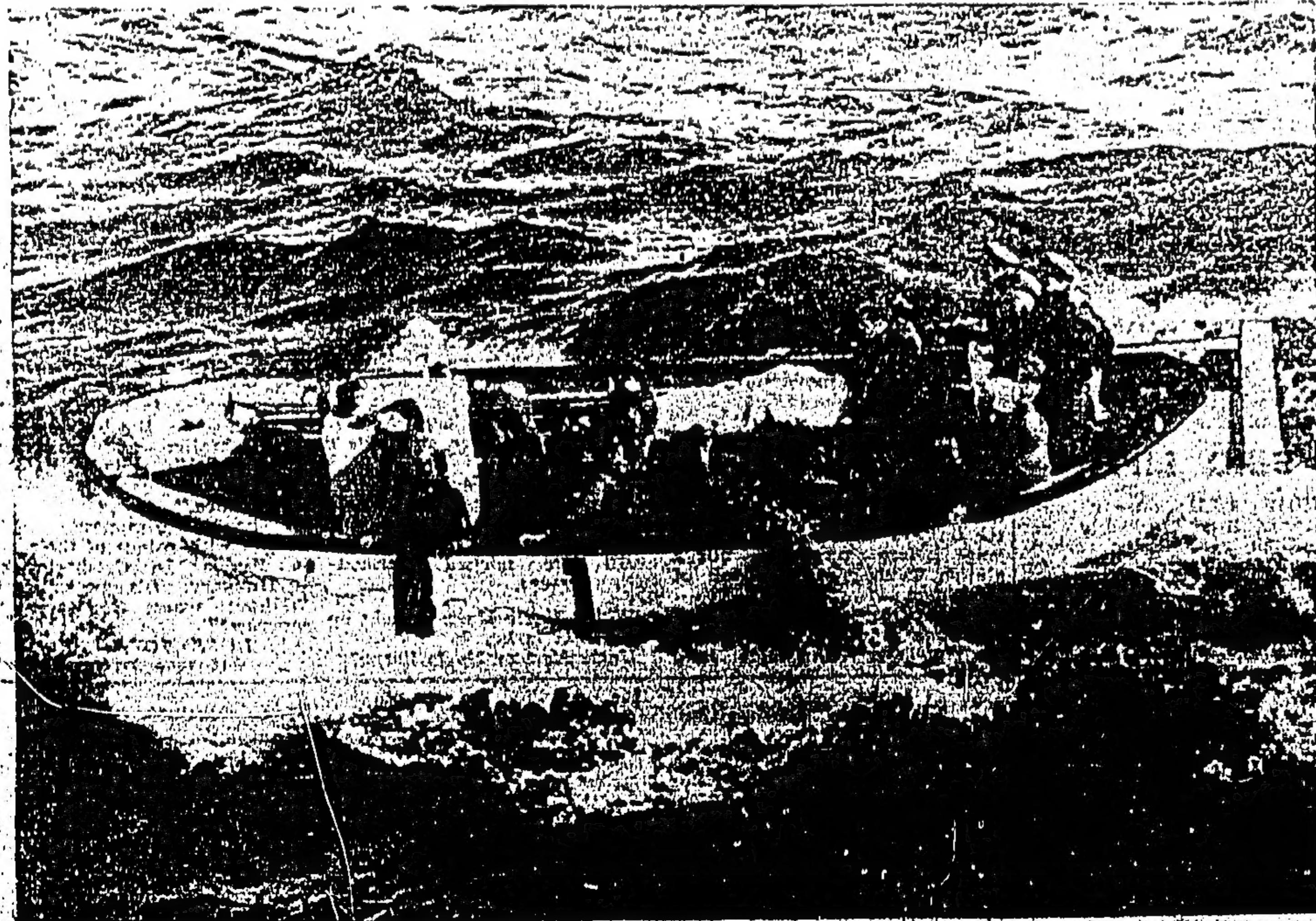
FROM TEXAS — Actress Ann Miller, posing in Hollywood in cowgirl garb, is just one of the many lovely Texas girls who are the pride of the Long Star State.



THIS GOT 'EM — This photo, taken from a helicopter, shows smoke billowing from three stores in downtown Rochester, New York, as a fire causes damage worth \$100,000. Fourteen firemen were injured, none seriously, in extinguishing the blaze.



KNOWS HER STUFF — Little Lorraine Passiolo, is only four, but she's already a member of the Tiny Tot's Clean-up Club, sponsored by the New York Children's Aid Society. The idea is to promote acquaintance between soap and water and children. Weekly classes in hair brushing and teeth washing are held.



ANSWERING A CALL FOR HELP — A lifeboat manned by the crew of U.S. Army transport Gen. E. D. Patrick churns through waves 1,500 miles from Yokohama to take a sick woman off a Swedish ship. The transport was the nearest vessel with a doctor aboard.



OFF TO CHURCH — Wearing miniature habits of different orders of the Catholic Church, these children file into Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, Illinois. Represented were 125 various orders.

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...DOCTOR SOLVES  
HEALTH RIDDLE OF  
THE 20th CENTURY

## Why you can't fight worry and illness at the same time

WHY does worry lay you open to attack by pneumonia, tuberculosis, and other dangerous germ complaints? Why are people who work against the clock specially susceptible to digestive ailments like duodenal ulcers?

Why are heart troubles, rheumatism, and diabetes steadily increasing in spite of all that doctors have achieved? Why do some major organic disorders run in families?

After 12 years of painstaking experiments scientists claim to have found the answers to these questions:

They have proved that more than a dozen complaints, ranging from high blood pressure to appendicitis can be caused by the haggard mental stresses of civilised life—by worry, insecurity, and anxiety.

They have shown that when the body's defences are organised to resist one assault, they are automatically vulnerable to any other attack.

In making these discoveries they have opened up an exciting new line of inquiry, which looks like leading to successful treatment for many so far incurable ailments.

The experimental evidence supporting these claims is impressive. Animals exposed to prolonged stress in the form of excessive exercise and sudden frights developed high blood pressure and damaged arteries.

When deliberately overloaded with defence-gland chemicals they developed stomach ulcers and serious kidney disorders.

Tests on 200 men and women proved that the persistent strain of hazardous aeroplane flights, over-exposure to heat and cold, and brain fatigue from excessive study increased the activity of their adrenal glands.

This explained the case records of many wartime airmen who seemed to be adapting themselves to the nervous strain of combat-flying but had resistance falls as shown in to be grounded because of the chart on the left, during stomach ulcers.

He found that when the body is subjected to any strain, at strain these glands—called the adrenals—mobilise resistance forces.

The result is that by setting free into the blood chemicals which do such vital jobs as building up emergency stores of energy.

Resistance falls as shown in to be grounded because of

the chart on the left, during stomach ulcers.

After the first shock, resistance to worry rises, but the body's defence forces are limited and the resistance to illness may slumps.

Resistance to worry

Resistance to illness

SHOCK

THE  
Chapman Pincher  
COLUMN

More convincing still are the first results of applying Selye's ideas to hospital treatment.

The new American drug, Compound E, which has given astonishing relief in far-advanced cases of arthritis came to light as a result of Selye's theory.

Now doctors have reported that in certain patients high blood pressure can be lowered by the injection of an experimental drug known to offset adrenal activity.

There is evidence that the adrenal glands are deeply involved in the cause of schizophrenia—split mind—and other mental disorders.

Preliminary tests on mental patients suggest that their adrenal glands cannot respond to prolonged strain at all. It seems they are born with some defect of this defence mechanism which makes it crumble quickly under the strain of modern living.

If it can be proved that this tendency for the adrenals to turn renegade and attack the body is inherited—as scientists believe it is—the fact that weak hearts, stomach troubles, and other disorders run in families will be explained.

LONG STRAIN

The chart shows up another danger of nagging worries. The body's defence forces are strictly limited. Since most of them remain busy countering the shock of a persistent strain resistance to assault from any other quarter may stay slumped at a dangerously low level for months.

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FIRST—RELAX

Selye's brilliant pioneer work is being hailed throughout the world as one of the really great advances in medicine. Hundreds of scientists are already working on the exciting possibilities it raises.

Important discoveries improving the treatment of many major complaints will undoubtedly be made. But the best method of preventing these complaints is already clear, WE MUST RELEARN HOW TO RELAX.

PROMPT SET

\* A HAM-PROOF system of prompting film stars who forget their parts on the set has been developed by Hollywood technicians.

Each star carries a midget radio-receiver with an aerial and a small ear-piece which is camouflaged with make-up.

Actors wear the aerial wound round their chests. For actresses who may have to wear strapless evening gowns aerials which can be hidden in the hair have been devised.

—(London Express Service)

BIRD LIFE

\* HOW OLD does a song-thrush live? Probably not more than 18 months according to ornithologists who keep careful records of such things. That goes for starlings, blackbirds, and robins, too.

One correspondent says: "It has come to this. I was asked to remember Christmas long

—(London Express Service)

BEING SO HAPPY I  
NEARLY CRIED.

## Two Girls From America Seek Dollars By Post



JOYCE WELLS

"Baby, here's our chance!"

Miss Wells, a short, slim and glamorous brunette from New York, first went to Britain three years ago to be with her English student husband. She has given up her job as director of an advertising agency to start the new business.

"We have a list of 150,000 British-Americans who want goods from Britain for sentimental reasons, and my partner, Jane Gillies, a Californian, is over in the States now getting orders," she said.

"We get the orders and pass them on to the manufacturers, who pay us 5 percent.

"It saves at least 75 percent by cutting out the agent's fee of 15 percent and the American store's mark-up of 60 percent."

Some things Americans have asked for: Pottery, leather goods, confectionery, biscuits in coloured tins, men's shoes, fine lace stockings, tartan ties, calendars, children's clothes and gloves.

—(London Express Service)

## SITTING ON THE FENCE . . .

by . . . NATHANIEL GUBBINS

In the club

"WELL, they're in a nice mess now, aren't they?"

"Who are?"

"The Government, of course. £24,000,000 of the taxpayers' money down the drain. And for what?"

"I don't know."

"For £423,000 worth of nuts."

I ask you what?"

"I ask you, is it business? Can you imagine any business firm spending £24,000,000 to get one-forty-eighth of their money back? What would the shareholders say?"

"No idea."

"Well, they'd say nuts, or something worse, though I don't usually joke about serious matters."

"Don't you?"

"It's the same with everything they touch. Look at the railways. Dead loss. Look at all the nationalised industries. Dead loss. And they won't be satisfied till they get their claws on steel and give a few more jobs to the boys at £5,000 a year. And who pays?"

"I don't know."

"Well, I'll tell you. You do. And I do. Money taken out of our pay packets every week without so much as a by your leave. To line the pockets of a lot of incompetents. And they used to call Hitler a scoundrel."

"Did they?"

"So, don't you talk to me about starry-eyed idealists."

"I didn't."

"The only time they get starry-eyed is when they get a vision of a bit of easy dough, or a free car or a free lunch. Why, they're no better than the Russians."

"Aren't they?"

"Tell you. We're going full steam ahead, straight bang, willing for Communism."

"I like it."

"You'll live to see the day when any fool or crook can get a job in the Government so long as he's a party man. And what's going to happen to the gifted people, the business men with brains and initiative? People with minds of their own."

"No idea."

"They'll disappear. Like people with minds of their own in Russia. In Czechoslovakia. In Hungary. Disappear. Vanish. Without trace. See you tomorrow."

"I HOPE NOT."

—(London Express Service)

Kiss in the dark

"Waiting friends embraced the wrong incoming travellers at Northolt airport during two temporary breakdowns in the lighting system" —From the news.

DARLING, but you've grown

a beard and simply reck

on garlic."

"Padron me, modom, but I

am not your osoban!"

Suffer not your instincts low

to take a chance and have a go."

Followers of Uncle Marx

Frown upon your gambling

larks.

Poor punters and deluded str

All are wicked, warmong

ers."

Which Uncle Marx thought up

this farce,

Uncle Karl or Uncle Harpo?

—(London Express Service)

NANCY Leave It to Sluggo

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131 Answer  
Appeal For  
ESC Recruits

Since recruiting started for the new Essential Services Corps last Thursday, 131 applications to join the Corps have been received.

Of this number, 57 are from non-Chinese and 74 from Chinese residents.

Mr K. Ashdowne, Commissioner of the ESC, said this morning that it was a little too early to expect any sizeable response to the Government's appeal. Forms had been sent to many of the larger firms in Hongkong and these were only just beginning to come in.

**VYSHINSKY REPEATS**

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"These organisations became necessary just as aggressive measures but as defensive measures."

Mr Austin appealed to the Soviet Union to "replace sweeping propaganda gestures with earnest efforts to settle outstanding differences." He urged Mr Vyshinsky to "recognise the common interest and negotiate in a spirit of adjustment and accommodation" and admit the possibility of sincerity on the part of a dissenter.

"Act in good faith to fulfil existing agreements before making new promises. Do these things and many doors to peaceful progress will be opened."

"The record shows the conviction of the entire free world that the fears that prevail are excited by the policies and acts of the Soviet Union," Mr Austin declared.

"Will the Soviet Government accept the assurance that its suspicions which darken its approach to all the rest of the world have no foundation?"

He told Mr Vyshinsky that never before had the Cominform so completely isolated itself from the rest of the world.

"I state it only in the hope that recognition of the fact will persuade the Soviet Government to seek to end this still-imposed isolation," Reuter.

**TWO AIR CRASHES**

(Continued from Page 1)

what happened. The statement was given to the police.

The co-pilot finished by asking someone to phone his wife in Fort Worth, Texas, and tell her "Pilot Four okay."—Associated Press.

**LYONS DISASTER**

Lyons, Nov. 29.—French farmers armed with axes fought through flames today to drag about 30 people alive from the upside-down fuselage of a crashed Air France Skymaster in which five persons died.

All but one of the 32 passengers were dragged out alive.

Three of the five crew members were killed when the Skymaster, which was on a regular Paris-Lyons-Tunis run, hit the top of a tree in dense fog. It crashed and burst into flames at St. Just-en-Chaleyssin, about 10 miles from Lyons.

An earlier message from Paris said that all those rescued alive from the plane were seriously injured and were rushed to hospitals at Lyons.

It was learned at Orly Airport that the plane crashed shortly after taking off from Lyons for Tunis, having left Paris earlier. Six passengers were due to leave the plane at Lyons, but it was not known if other people had taken their places. The passenger list contained only French names.—Reuter.

**New Atomic Weapons**

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Another possible method of checking is by monitoring instruments which might detect the explosion at great range. Such instruments probably were used by the United States in discovering the Russian atomic bomb last summer.

Today's announcement, taken in the light of previous statements, gave definite information that the weapons to be tested now may be even better than the three improved bombs exploded at Eniwetok in 1948.

U.S. Senator Edwin C. Johnson, Democrat, Colorado, said in a television broadcast earlier this month that United States scientists have developed a bomb with "six times the effectiveness of the bomb we dropped on Nagasaki". Moreover, said Sen. Johnson, "considerable progress" has been made in development of a super-bomb with "1,000 times the effect of the Nagasaki bomb."—Associated Press.

# Foreign Firms In S'hai Victimised By Workers

## WHEELOCK, MARDEN & CO'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Speaking at the Annual General Meeting of Wheelock, Marden and Co., Ltd., in Queen's Building this morning, the chairman, Mr G. E. Marden, said that in common with other employers of labour in Shanghai, the company had been victimised by unreasonable demands since the Communist occupation.

"Indeed," Mr Marden said, "in our case the demands have operated satisfactorily, and although the Dominion Insurance Co., Ltd., shows a loss for the year of nearly £10,000 this is largely the result of increased provisions rendered necessary by the expansion of our business."

The threat to the personal safety of the company's senior staff in Shanghai had resulted in the striking of the workers' "unjust demands."

Mr Marden said: "Last year I gave you a full account of our activities during the years which had elapsed between our 10th and 12th Annual General Meetings, and you will not expect me on this occasion to take up so much of your time. I am pleased to inform you that our activities both here and abroad have developed generally on the lines anticipated and as I intended to you last year, and I will touch upon the more important of them."

Our shipyard business in the United Kingdom suffered in common with others in their district as a result of increased cost, although a small profit was continued to be earned. The capital of this subsidiary has recently been increased by £20,000 as a result of a rearrangement of our method of financing its activities."

In the Colony our interests have expanded, and the various activities which I detailed to you last year have operated very satisfactorily. Since I spoke to you last we have reviewed the activities of Commercial Investment Co., Ltd., and under its managing director, Mr P. G. Caleina, it plays an important part in local financial business.

You will be gratified to learn that we have recommended our important pre-war business of shipping financing, and there are indications that this branch of our business will expand.

Hongkong Realty & Trust Co., Ltd., together with its subsidiaries, continues satisfactorily to make use of all available funds.

There has been no change in our joint ventures in shipping, and the 10 unconverted corvettes which I informed you last year had been laid up in the United Kingdom.

There is nothing of importance to add to what I told you last year about the capital and affairs of our two original subsidiaries, Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd., is still inoperative, while the godown business of G. E. Marden & Co., Ltd., has been affected by the blockade and inactivity in Shanghai.

**ACCOUNTS**

With regard to the accounts, I regret that it has not yet been possible to prepare a Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Taking the P & L Account the very large item of over \$6,000,000 includes a substantial dividend from the Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd., representing accumulated profits; this is of course not likely to be repeated, nor, in respect of the last item of over \$2,850,000, can such a large profit on the sale of property be anticipated this year.

On the other side you will notice a substantial provision for doubtful debts and a further provision for joint ventures. A small figure has been allowed for depreciation covering only office furniture and motor cars. Our other normally depreciable assets consist of land and buildings, but these were much written down in the course of our conversion of capital after the war and it has been considered more con-

venient for the time being to carry a tentative provision for this purpose in the Contingency Reserve.

The Appropriation Account sets out your directors' recommendations for the disposal of the balance available, which I propose to discuss in considering the Balance Sheet itself, but shareholders will realise that these most satisfactory figures are to a large extent due to special circumstances, and it would be as unwise to anticipate a repetition of such results as it would be imprudent for your Board to base upon them a recommendation for a large distribution.

### STAFF HOUSING

On the assets side there is an increase in respect of Land and Buildings representing after deduction of the book value of property sold, the cost of further staff residences purchased in Hongkong. There is an increase of 14 lakhs in investments in subsidiaries, representing in the main further investments in our older United Kingdom subsidiaries, in addition to the formation of the two new London subsidiaries of which I informed you last year.

Other investments are also up by 13 lakhs, rather more than half of which represents an increase of our holdings in associated companies.

These two items are of such magnitude that you will expect me to make some specific reference to them, and I now do so in some detail.

Of the figure for subsidiaries, approximately \$5,382,700 represents the actual cost of our holdings in subsidiaries incorporated (and operated) in the United Kingdom, the remaining \$1,500,000 being the book value of our holding in subsidiaries in the Far East. It is these Eastern subsidiaries which together have the substantial deposits with us which you will observe on the other side of the Balance Sheet, and of course they have other substantial assets.

With regard to other investments, something under \$4,000,000 represents holdings in associated companies in the East which are quoted on the Hongkong Stock Exchange. Nearly \$1,300,000 represents general investments quoted on other Stock Exchange, while the remainder consists of holdings in associated and other companies which are not quoted on any Stock Exchange. The total quoted investments have a book value of \$5,388,000, against a market value on the date of the closing of our books of some \$300,000 less, but your directors are satisfied that the total value of all investments exceeds the book value as given in the Balance Sheet.

It has been considered prudent to reduce Joint Ventures by means of further provision.

**INCREASED ADVANCES**

In the Current Assets you will see a considerable increase in our advances to associated companies and a substantial reduction in Sundry Debtors, in addition to a provision in respect of the latter of around \$1,000,000. This was considered prudent in view, among other things, of the difficulty currently experienced by some of our Chinese shipowning debtors, but since the closing of the books some 16 lakhs has been received, and much of this provision may ultimately become an addition to our free reserves. As was the case last year the figure for cash in hand and at banks is substantial.

On the other side, capital now stands at \$10,000,000, 21,505 new shares having been issued during the year at par, as approved by our last year. Exchange Reserve is unaltered while sub-accounts, of course, to your approval of the appropriate resolution when it is put to you later—Contingency and General Reserves have been increased by \$1,000,000 and \$4,500,000 respectively, while a Staff Contingency Reserve has been created with an initial allocation of \$400,000. This last will provide a nucleus for the payment of retiring allowances, pensions or gratuities and will, I am sure, heartily commend itself to you.

The Contingency Reserve is now calculated to provide for any losses which might be agreed upon us by political or other changes beyond our control, while the General Reserve has been raised to a figure more commensurate with the scope of our business and operations.

There is a substantial Carry Forward, while the Capital Reserves are more than offset by the Current Assets.

### SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"I've saved almost enough to get married, but my girl won a beauty contest last summer, and I have to wait till her popularity wears off even to get a date!"

### Glamorous Grandmother



"I'm the mother of four girls and the grandmother of one," said Joan Bennett, at 39 the screen's most glamorous grandmother, who was in London for the Royal Film Show. Miss Bennett wore a guardsman style coat, mink trimmed and decorated with gilt scatter pins.

—London Express Service.

## Israel Urges UN To Abandon Jerusalem Plan

### BUT ARABS PRESS FOR IMMEDIATE DECISION

Lake Success, Nov. 29.—Israel today urged the United Nations to abandon the plan for international control over the whole of Jerusalem and to confine itself to agreed measures for the protection of holy places.

Mr Aubrey Eban, the Israeli delegate, told the Special Political Committee that the dilemma which it now faced could be solved only by abandoning the entire structure of the plan advanced by the Conciliation Commission and "frankly defining the purposes and the obligations of the United Nations solely in terms of the protection and defence of religious interests."

Earlier, Mr Ronney W. DeJany, of Saudi Arabia, had warned the Committee against the postponement of a firm decision on internationalisation.

Saudi Arabia would support any "genuine" internationalisation, but she opposed the Conciliation Commission plan.

Mr DeJany said that a course of "inaction and postponement, though not having been supported openly, is being pushed on from behind the scenes."

The postponement of a decision until next year was being proposed so that "the weight of events which will take place during the interim period will stamp at whatever prospects internationalisation might still have and thus leave no other alternative to the delegates but to accept the fait accompli."

He said that last summer, when Jerusalem's fortunes "were at the lowest point in modern times," Israel had rallied it into a "slow but inspiring struggle for rescue and rehabilitation."

In the process "a link of duty and sacrifice, of mutual responsibility and common aspiration was established between Israel and Jewish Jerusalem."

"This link has now been welded into a firm and indissoluble union," Mr Eban said.

"Remove the full authority of the Israeli Government from the New City today—and this hard-won equilibrium will instantly collapse. A hundred thousand embittered and disenchanted people, stripped of their political freedom and their vital defence, will be plunged into confusion, resentment and fear."

"Their deeply cherished allegiance will be inevitably driven underground, while a new outside authority strives in vain to divert their loyalty and obedience to itself."

Mr Eban declared: "The course of our debates has shown that Moslem opinion is 'no sense united in support of internationalisation at this time.'

The Committee then adjourned.—Reuter.

### MORE ARGONAUTS FOR HONGKONG

London, Nov. 29.—Lord Pakenham, the Minister of Civil Aviation, went today to a lunch at London Airport to celebrate the delivery of a fleet of 22 Canadian Argonaut airliners eight months ahead of contract.

The Argonauts, 40-passenger aircraft, will be used by the British Overseas Airways Corporation on routes to India, Hongkong and later on flights to South America.

Built in Canada by the Canadian Company, they have British Rolls-Royce engines and American bodies.—Reuter.

## France Charged With Unleashing "Wave Of Terror"

Paris, Nov. 29.—Poland tonight accused France of unleashing "wave of terror" against Polish citizens in France, in violation of the United Nations' universal declaration of human rights.

The charge was written into a note transmitted to the French Foreign Office today soon after the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, had said that the 12-day-old quarrel between the two countries could be settled without a break in diplomatic relations.

The note charged that French Government "violated in cynical fashion" the United Nations' guarantees of life, liberty and security of person by rounding up and expelling from France 27 Polish citizens.

It charged that the French police action was a "campaign of anti-Polish hatred, a wave of terror and injustice against Polish citizens in France."

The Polish note was the latest move in the diplomatic war which began on November 15, when the Polish authorities arrested Andre Simon Robineau, of the French Consulate, on charges of espionage.

France replied with the expulsion of 27 Polish citizens and the arrest of Joseph Szczerski, Polish vice-consul at Lille. Poland then announced the arrest of several more French citizens.

Earlier today, at a luncheon of French newspapermen, M. Schuman said: "I am confident

### Radio Hongkong

11.30, "Hongkong Calling"—Programme Summary: 0.02, "For St. Andrew's Day"; 0.02, "Programme of Songs and Music of Scotland. The BBC Scottish Orchestra and Soloists"; 0.02, "New Light Symphony Orchestra"; 6.40, "Terry Linde, Quartet"; 7.00, "World News and News Around the World Relay"; 7.15, "Music Blinding in the Marsh"; 7.30, "Richard Murdoch and Kenneth Horne, Dance Orchestra under Stany Black"; 7.45, "Music Special"; 7.55, "The Uses of Criticism" by Nigel Balchin. (London Relay); 8.00, "From the Editorial" (London Relay); 8.10, "Record Sound-About—Vocal Record"; 8.15, "Record Programme Presented by Jean Halliday, (Studio); 9.10, "Services Spotlight" — Concert by the Band of the Royal Air Force Band of the Royal Air Force Band of the Royal Air Force (London Relay); 9.25, "Interludes"; 9.30, "Radio News Reel (London Relay); 10.15, "Search Weather Reports"; 10.30, "March of the Month"; 10.45, "Beethoven's Sonata in C Minor, Op. 12, 'Pathétique' Eileen Joyce (Piano); 11.05, "Stephane Grappelli and His Orchestra"; 11.30, "World and Home News from Britain, God Save the King, (London Relay Recorded); 11.45, "Close Down."

### As the Shadows Lengthen...

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Slam Made Against Opening Two-Bid

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

TODAY'S hand was sent to me by Mrs. A. Fay of Knoxville, Tenn., because she thought it was unusual. I think you will agree that making a slam against an opening two-bid is unusual.

Very soon I plan to run a series of articles on Fred L. Karpin's responses to the two-bid. Most of the good players today use ace-showing responses to two-bids, but after the first response, there is some guess from there on, which Karpin's new bid will help to eliminate.

Today's hand is an ideal one for the two-bid, because South would like to find out whether or not his partner holds the ace of hearts or ace of diamonds. West elected to bid two spades.

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# U.S. Defence Secretary On London Visit

London, Nov. 29.—The American Defence Secretary, Mr Louis Johnson, told reporters here today that the United States would not be lulled into any sense of false security. "I believe that in strength there is peace," he added.

Asked if the danger of war had receded in recent months, Mr Johnson replied: "To some extent, yes, but not to the extent that the security of my own country does not demand that we be ready for any eventuality at four o'clock in the morning."

## NEW HOPE FOR TB VICTIMS

Philadelphia, Nov. 29.—Pennsylvania doctors today reported the development of a new "wonder" drug, neomycin, which they hope may eventually prove an aid in the cure of tuberculosis.

Only two patients, both men, have been treated with neomycin so far.

A hospital said a complete cure was affected in six days after all known drugs had failed.

Neomycin is a drug both of streptomycin. Both are made from soil fungus.

Dr Garfield Dunn, director of the Medicine Division of the Philadelphia Hospital, said: "The drug had never been given to humans before. It was administered successfully only on experimental animals. We were not sure and still aren't whether it would have harmful toxic effects on humans."

The drug was developed by Dr Selman Waksman, a Ukrainian-born microbiologist who had previously discovered streptomycin in experiments at Rutgers University.

Dr Dunn said: "Combined with streptomycin, neomycin may help in the treatment of tuberculosis. Neomycin will be one of the greatest discoveries of medical science." Associated Press.

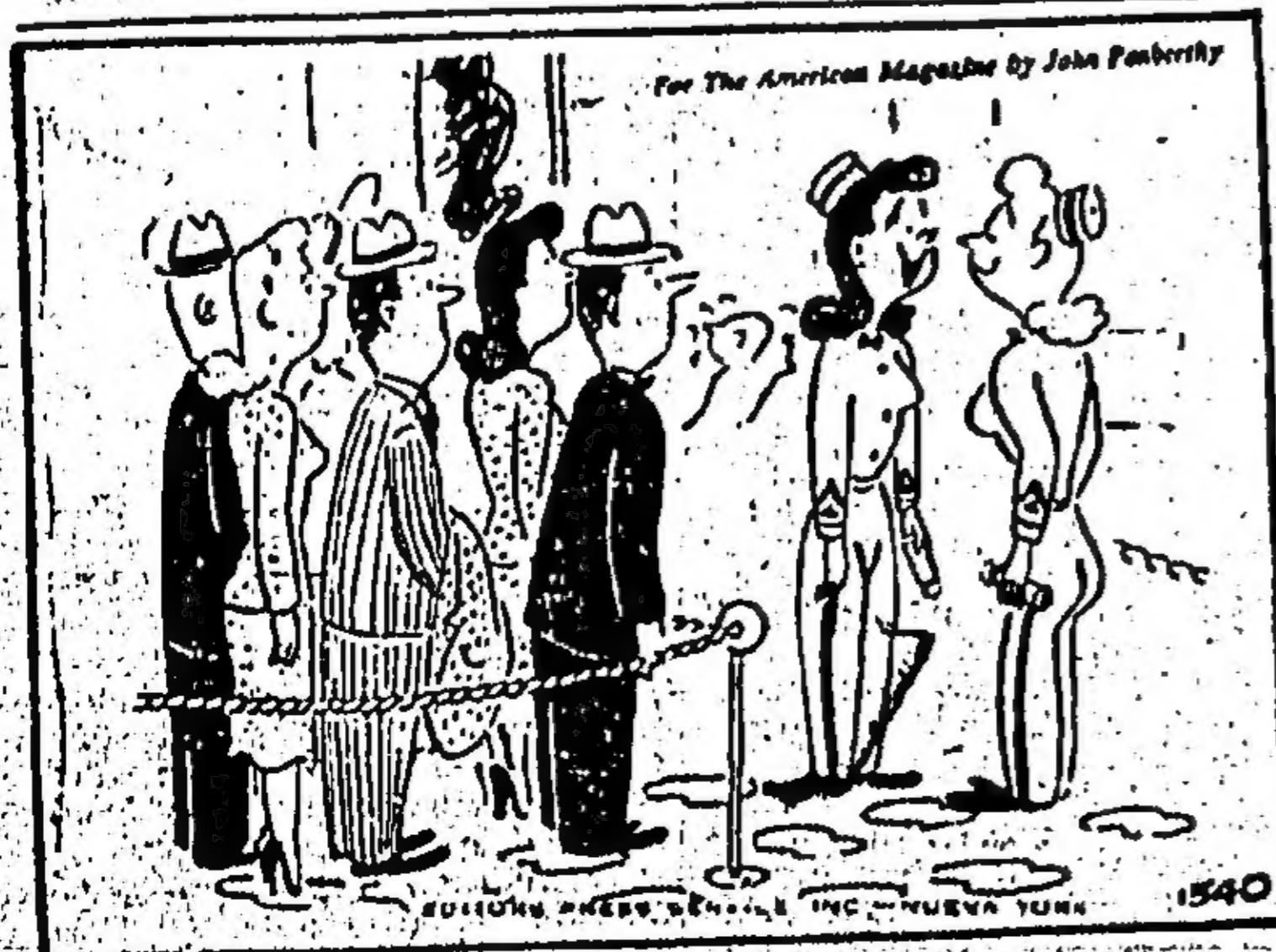
## Li Tsung-jen Given Visa Promptly

Washington, Nov. 29.—The State Department disclosed today that it has authorised Acting President Li Tsung-jen of the Chinese Nationalist Government to come to the United States for medical treatment.

Officials here said Li made "informal" approaches to the United States Embassy in China to learn whether he would be granted a visa if he applied. The United States promptly authorised the Embassy to approve the visa.

The State Department officials emphasised that Li would come here for medical treatment and not as a political refugee and would not carry on political activities. He has been suffering from stomach ailments.

In the meantime, the State Department spokesman, Mr Michael McDermott, told a press conference that the United States has not yet been advised officially that the Nationalist Government was moving north of Chengtu, 175 miles northwest of Chongqing. He said that as a result the United States Charge d'Affaires in China, Mr Robert Strong, and his Embassy staff would remain in Hongkong until pending developments. United Press.



## At Command Film Show



At the Royal Command film show in London recently — "The Forsyte Saga" was the film — South African-born Moira Lister stole the spotlight with this tip-tilted pancake hat decorated with flowers.

## Draft Constitution For New Trade Union International

London, Nov. 29.—Mr Arthur Deakin, General Secretary of the British Transport and General Workers' Union, today introduced the draft constitution for the new Trade Union International to be considered by the Free World Labour Conference.

Among the aims of the new International would be universal recognition of trade unions and their right to be consulted in all matters affecting the lives and well-being of the workers.

"As trade unionists," Mr Deakin said, "we are particularly concerned with the raising of the standard of living in under-developed countries and non-body-governing territories."

Their resources must be expanded to make them more productive and enable them to participate more fully in the developing of wider economic units and the free exchange of commodities which is necessary."

Much of this work must be done by inter-governmental institutions' specialist agencies in which the trade unions movement must actively participate, he said.

### BEST APPROACH

Mr Evert Kupers (Netherlands) introduced a discussion on the regional machinery which the new International was likely to set up.

He said that the Constitution proposed for the new International suggested the best approach would be to set up regional machinery.

Mr Kupers detailed the difficulties in Africa, where there was little industry and communications were poor.

Existing trade union organisations there were weak, and most of them suffering from a lack of experienced leaders and from financial difficulties.

The fairly advanced industrial development of Asia was a prerequisite of a strong trade union movement, Mr Kupers said.

Flight Lieutenant D. Kucher of Bankstown, Sydney, said the right type of Germans would make fine immigrants. Farmers especially are keen to come to Australia, and from the way they have seen them work they would be a great asset," he said.

Flight Lieutenant David Hohn, of Perry Bridge, Victoria, said many Germans were interested in migrating to Australia. They told him they heard the climate was better and they would not have to work so hard, he said.

Warrant Officer Colin Ryan said: "Don't believe stories of the gorgeous German girls. For my money the frauds can't hold a candle to Australian girls."

The 21 returning airmen flew an average of 240 flights into Berlin during 15 months in Europe. They said in the past six months shops in Germany became full of consumer goods. Factories produced round the clock, and Germans are working an average of 60 hours a week to hasten their country's recovery. — United Press.

### ITALY IN FACT

He said he would repeat today what he had told Congress, he thought American military aid should go on three or four years to be effective.

Mr Johnson said he was delighted that Italy had joined the Pact "and she has come to stay."

It had been the consensus of some that Italy, seeking the same objectives as the United States, should join the Pact though she had no Atlantic seaboard.

Earlier today, Mr Johnson lectured at the Imperial Defence College. After that he lunched with Mr Alexander.

After Thursday's meeting, in Paris he intends to return to Washington. — Reuter.

## Round World By Motor-Cycle

Peshawar, Nov. 29.—Mohamed Ifran, a Turkish journalist who is travelling round the world by motor-cycle, was warmly welcomed by the people of Peshawar today. Ifran, who left Istanbul three months ago and has ridden through Persia and Afghanistan, expects to call on Abdul Cayun Khan, the Northwest Frontier Premier, before leaving for Rawalpindi tomorrow on his way to India. — Reuter.

## Shinwell Visits Cyprus

Nicosia, Cyprus, Nov. 29.—Britain's War Minister, Mr Emanuel Shinwell, drove past some Greek flags and organs demanding union of Cyprus with Greece on his arrival in Nicosia today.

He was travelling with the Governor, Sir Andrew Wright, from the airport to Government House.

Mr Shinwell arrived from Egypt on a Middle East tour of Army units. He will continue his tour to Athens tomorrow.

Earlier he told a news conference at Fayid, in the Suez Canal Zone: "I do not know whether or not I will still be Secretary for War next August, but I will certainly be in the Government."

A reporter had asked if the election might not change the Minister's plans for a projected later tour of the Middle East.

The question of evacuating British troops from the Canal Zone—which all Egyptian political parties are demanding—has not arisen," Mr Shinwell said.

### SOLDIERS' QUARTERS

That there are no immediate plans for a withdrawal he indicated indirectly by announcing plans for the construction of more quarters for soldiers and their families.

"The majority of soldiers have to live in tents, which are not altogether satisfactory," Mr Shinwell said.

He criticised "private enterprise in housing," and said that private landlords are overcharging the military for accommodation where service dwellings are not available.

British forces in Akaba, in Trans-Jordan, appeared cheerful, he said, adding: "We can handle the situation there." He praised the Army for the "magnificent job" it has done since the war. — Associated Press.

## Maoris Elect A Woman To Parliament

Wellington, Nov. 29.—New Zealand's Maori electors today returned to the House of Representatives their four official Labour nominees and made history for the Maori people by electing a woman, Mrs Irinaka Ratana, wife of the late Marui Ratana, who represented the same constituency in the last Parliament.

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The Maori voting, which always takes place the day before the general election, was about the same as in 1946, and the majorities won by the candidates were very similar.

This was the curtain raiser to tomorrow's polling, which will be a straight contest between Labour and National Party candidates in most constituencies.

Although there are several Communist candidates, none of them is expected to affect the bi-party issue in any seat.

The Labour Party has held office without interruption since 1935, but the National Party, in opposition throughout that time, has steadily strengthened its position.

In the last Parliament, Labour held 42 seats and the Nationals 38. — Reuter.

## Israel Lifts Ship Ban

Haifa, Nov. 29.—Israel is now allowing ships with cargoes for Egypt to pass through its ports following Egypt's announcement that she is lifting restrictions on Israel-bound ships passing through the Suez Canal.

The 2,704-ton Swedish vessel Ula sailed unheeded yesterday with cargo for Alexandria after unloading at Haifa. The Israeli authorities satisfied themselves with a simple examination of the manifest for any arms.

The restrictions on Israel-bound ships passing through the Suez Canal were imposed at the time of the Palestine fighting, and Israel introduced counter-measures on Egyptian-bound shipping in her ports.

It was reported last week from Cairo that the Egyptian customs authorities had informed shipping agents of an order permitting the resumption of free movement of normal commercial cargoes to and from Israel.

No Israel-bound ship has yet reached or passed through the Canal, but authoritative quarters here said today that Israel was "accepting" the Egyptian announcement at its face value. — Reuter.

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